



Lewis & Clark County 4-H Newsletter

**August
2015**



Council Meeting

Wednesday, August 12th at 5:30 in the Bill Hamilton Building.

4-H NIGHT AT THE BREWERS GAME

The Extension Office has tickets for a Helena Brewers vs. Great falls Voyagers baseball game for Friday August 21st. Let's pack the stands with 4-H! If you are interested I would encourage you to stop by the office and pick some up.



Normally we do not have an August meeting as there is usually not a lot going on. This August we are going to have a meeting on August 14th at the BHB due to several topics that we need to discuss before we start into a new 4-H year. I would encourage all to attend and give thoughts and feedback. I will get the agenda out as early as I can.

As always if you have questions contact David Hamilton at 431-1948 or email at davidhamilton431@gmail.com

MSU Extension,
Lewis & Clark County
100 W Custer
Helena MT 59602
(406) 447-8346
lewisclark@montana.edu

Mary Meyer, 4-H/Youth
Development Agent
(406) 447-8349
mary.meyer@montana.edu

Websites:
<http://www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h.html>
www.montana4h.org

We need your help for nominations for next year's council officers. This council serves all of you and we would like you to get more involved and this is a great way to. If you have someone in mind please get in touch with Michelle Ostberg at aostberg@bresnan.net or call 459-3343.

Nomination for the following positions ...

Vice President

Secretary

Northern Rep

District 6 Rep

Foundation Rep

4-H members (2 positions to fill)

Parent and Adult Volunteers:

We need your help. As you know it takes a lot of volunteers to run the 4-H program. It is time to start thinking what committee(s) you would like to be involved with for the upcoming year. We are also looking for project superintendents for several projects in Indoor and Outdoor areas.

Committees [but not all]

Awards and Recognition

Bill Hamilton Building

4-H Open House and Science Day

Summer Camp

Scholarships

Livestock Sales



Record Books

Record Books are due to your club leader by August 31. If you don't have record forms for each project, copies can be downloaded from the 4-H website for free (<http://montana4h.org/#resource:Forms>) or purchased through the Extension Office for 75¢ each. Record book covers are available from the Extension Office for \$3.00. Start working on them now to avoid the last minute crunch!



Record book check list to for leaders to sign are available on the county website at: <http://www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h/forms.html>

Project Awards

Project Recognition is earned when you go beyond the basic project requirements. Forms are located on the county website at: <http://www.lccountymt.gov/extension/4-h/forms.html>

Due to the Extension office September 20th.

2015 FAIR WRAP UP

The 4-H fair "From Wagon Wheels to Ferris Wheels" was a success thanks to all the volunteers for their hard work and long hours.

Indoor Exhibits not picked up on Sunday are now in the Bill Hamilton Building. Please stop in the Extension office to get a key to the building.

Some Lost and Found items are in the Extension office waiting to be claimed:

straw cowboy hat
leather gloves
jean cut off shorts
t-shirt

Round Robin results are posted on the website. Carcass evaluation will be posted when finalized. Livestock checks to members *should* be available August 17th. We will get the information out with a definite date to pick up the checks and pictures.

FOUNDATION HAPPENINGS

Congratulations to everyone on a successful year and a great fair! Lewis & Clark 4-H Foundation has handed out scholarships, provided family assistance, provided assistance for members going to National 4-H Congress and National Shooting Sports. The Foundation Investment plan is underway to ensure we can keep supporting Lewis and Clark County 4-H. The Foundation is committed to helping those wish list items you created come to reality. It has taken a few years to get this Foundation going and it is rewarding to see it start to gain momentum. Thanks to all of you, for your commitment, your time and talents to make "the best better."

You are invited to attend the **4-H APPRECIATION POTLUCK on Thursday, August 20th, 6:00 pm at the fairgrounds Rustic Shelter**. Foundation will be providing lamb, beef, and pork. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. Water will be provided. Families invited!! See you there.



Foundation Raffle was a GREAT success!!! A big thanks to everyone who sold raffle tickets. If you still have tickets please turn them in to the Extension Office.



Lucky winners are:

1. TYLER MAYWILL- Ruger M77 Hawkeye .338 WinMag with scope package
2. BARB SMITH - Bowtech Black Ops Compound Bow
3. DAN KELLY - Ruger American Caliber of winner's choice with scope package
4. DWIGHT BERNARD - 24-Gun Sentinel Safe
5. ADAM CONTER - Garmin Montana 650 GPS
6. SANDRA NELSON - CVA Wolf Stainless 50 Caliber Black Powder Rifle
7. SANDRA NELSON - Knives of Alaska Hunters Triple Set
8. PAUL BROWNING - Knives of Alaska Fillet Knife set
9. BETH KLUNDER - Vortex Diamondback 12x50 Binoculars
10. JOW SERATI - Easton Full Bore Backpack
11. DAVID BROWN - Work Sharp Original knife sharpening system.



INDOOR PROJECT INFORMATION

Indoor Committee Meeting, Monday, September 21 at 5:30 p.m. in the Extension Conference Room. We will be discussing fair follow-up and Indoor Superintendent positions.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Indoor setup, judging day and cleanup at the fair. It could not have gone so well without the help. Thanks to the clubs for participating in the Silent Auction – it brought in \$600.00 for the Bill Hamilton Building.

If you have questions contact Dora at 475-3640 or the office at 447-8346.

Teens 13 years and older

Do you need a fun afternoon at the lake? **Please join us at White Sandy Beach Recreation Site on Hauser Lake Sunday, August 9 at 1:30 pm.** Along with having lots of fun and team building we will start to make plans for the new 4-H year. Bring your ideas and a snack to share. Parents are invited too and encouraged to attend.



If you have any questions please call Sandy Merchen at 465-9364 or Catherine McNeil at 439-8570

Woodworking

Thanks to all of the kids who participated in the woodworking project this year. There were some great projects done and It's great to see so much interest and involvement from all ages.

Hope to see you back next year and don't hesitate to call me throughout the year for assistance with your projects.

Dave Swanson, Woodworking Superintendent
459-3950

OUTDOOR PROJECT INFORMATION

THANKS to each and every volunteer who helped make the fair a success! **There will be a fair follow-up potluck meeting at the Deaton Home on Monday, August 24 at 5:30.** Bring salad or dessert to share.

The livestock sale was well attended and you all should be happy with the prices you got for your market animal. Be sure to thank your buyer.

With any questions contact Dennis at 461-2844

Swine Project



Well the fair is over. No more going out to feed and water the pig or you not stressing out because you're not sure you pig will make the minimum weight. I think everyone did a good job and I am already working on some ideas to teach you more about the swine project. I really want to say thank you to all the swine project members along with their parents who are always right there to help. I hope that everyone learned something new this year and excited for next year. You need to finish this year up by getting your record books all finished up.

I hope you all have a good rest of the summer. As always if you have questions contact David Hamilton at 431-1948 or email at davidhamilton431@gmail.com

Dairy Cattle



No meeting due to travel plans. Congratulations to each of you for a great week of fair! Marilyn

Rabbit

Gary Lyons is offering free to 4-H rabbit project members 4 rabbit pens and other supplies. Give him a call at 437-1930 if interested.



Thank you to all my rabbit kids, you did great job at the fair!!! Thank you to all the parents for all the help!!! Now we need a parent to step up and become the next Rabbit Superintendent as the fair was my last hurrah as superintendent!

Good luck! Dundee

Poultry

Thank you all for a wonderful fair and your help from the set up through the tear down!!! You need to have your poultry books and record forms done and to your 4-H leader. You only need to do 7 sections in the project book to complete the year.



Thank you again. Next meeting will be on September 13 at the Bill Hamilton Building at 12:30 pm

Dog

Congratulations to all on a terrific fair and what you have accomplished with this year with your dog project! Very well done!



The dog project isn't over yet for those would like to take part in the Herding pilot program. We will be meeting the following dates for workshop opportunities with a Herding Trial at the end of August as such we have opted for 3 week nights and then a weekend (Saturday and Sunday) for an intensive work session on Saturday and trial event on Sunday.

The dates for herding will be:

- August 4 - 5:30 to 6:30 PM (1 1/2 to 2 hour) Introduction Workshop - **No Dogs** - at the BHB
- August 11 - 6 to 7:30 PM (times to be finalized) Hands-on Workshop at Peggy's
- August 18 - 6 to 7:30 PM (times to be finalized) Hands-on Workshop at Peggy's
- August 22 - (times to be finalized) Intensive Workshop at Peggy's
- August 23 - (times to be finalized) Herding Trial Workshop at Peggy's

If you are interested in attending the workshop, you must come to the August 4th meeting. No exceptions. If you choose to participation it will count toward this 4-H year as the end of the 4-H year is September 30 and you can update your project form. At the end of the trial, we would like to hear your feedback on this discipline and if it is something you would like to continue for next year. Please contact Karen (406-459-3030) if you have any questions.



Adult Round Robin

We would like to THANK everyone that participated and donated to the 1st Annual Adult Round Robin Fundraiser. Congratulations to Dave Gardner from Last Chance Livestock for taking home the Grand Champion Golden Boot and Myra Sylvia from Canyon Creek Stock for taking Reserve Champion with the Silver Boot. Please remember to have your club add something to the traveling boot! It was a great success and we look forward to having another one next year!

Horse Project

Year End Awards

We encourage horse and horseless members to apply for the Lewis & Clark County Horsemanship Award. The horsemanship award was developed to recognize a 4-H horse member's dedication and commitment through participation and achievement in the county 4-H horse and horseless projects. The requirements for the award are not due until August 31. Applications will be on the 4-H website.

Horse Project Facebook

Please come join us on Facebook: Lewis & Clark County 4-H Horse Project

If you have any questions, please contact Vanessa at 431-1598 or lc4horseproject@gmail.com

*Check the calendar on the website for additional events or changes.

August 2015

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------|
| 2 | 3 | 4 Dog 5:30 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 Teens at White Sandy 1:30 | 10 | 11 Dog 6:00 | 12 Council Meeting 5:30 BHB | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 Dog 6:00 | 19 | 20 Foundation BBQ Rustic Shelter 6:00 | 21 4-H Night at the Brewers Game 7:00 | 22 Dog TBD |
| 23 Dog TBD | 24 Outdoor Potluck 5:30 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 31 Horse Award application due Record books due to club leader | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |